Mr. A. Sivarama Menon: No.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty: May I know, Sir, whether the rule that the lowest tender should be accepted was followed in this case also?

Mr. A. Sivarama Menon: Yes.

"THE HINDU" SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT—PUBLICATION OF.

33. **Mr. K. R. Viswambharan:** Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they have donated or paid any amount to 'The Hindu' Madras for publishing or having published a special supplement in connection with the inauguration of the new Constitution of Cochin;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, what was the amount donated or paid;

(*c*) whether they have made similar donations or payments to other Journals which have published special supplements?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (*a*).

(*c*) No.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan: Has the Government given any sort of contribution to the paper?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: No donations or contributions have been paid to them.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan: How many copies have been purchased?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: No special number of copies of "The Hindu" have been purchased.

Mr. K. V. Menon: 25 copies of the Cochin Supplement of "The Hindu" have been purchased.

UNDISPOSED MATERIALS—METRE GAUGE RAILWAY.

34. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar:** Will the Government be pleased to state what all materials of our metre-gauge railway remain undisposed of?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: A list of the metre gauge materials that remain to be disposed of is appended. (*Vide Appendix I.*)

CAPITAL WORKS—ESTIMATES—SCRUTINY OF.

35. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether the estimates of capital works are scrutinised by our Engineer?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: Yes.

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